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Dead Rat

A rat specialist
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HOME PARTY EXPO AT MACKENZIE



Local author Lillian Rose has just published another book, called *Dancing in the Slink*, about her husband. Rose says she's been writing books since 1999 and thoroughly enjoys her hobby. She's also come out with an audio book. She was one of dozens of vendors at the Home Party Expo April 1 and 2.

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News

Body of missing woman found



Kelsey Kramer had been missing for two weeks.

Special to the Western Review

RCMP said the body of a 23-year-old Alberta woman, who hasn't been seen in nearly two weeks, was found in a rural, wooded area north of St. Francis, Alta. on Friday afternoon, near the French Natural Area.

Mortuaries said Kelsey Kramer had been reported missing by her mother on March 22. Police were able to determine Kramer was last seen Saturday, March 19 when she was believed to be heading to Drayton Valley.

RCMP said they found a green Ford Freestyle that Kramer was believed to be driving but did not say where the vehicle was found.

On two different occasions, the RCMP had appealed to the public for help in determining Kramer's whereabouts. The search for Kramer involved several RCMP detachments and specialized units.

An autopsy has been scheduled to take place in Edmonton next week. Kramer's family has been notified and Mounties said it is too early to say if Kramer's death is suspicious or not. Kramer's family has been notified of her death. A woman who said she was related to Kramer told Global News the young woman was from Alder Flats, Alta. which is about a two-hour drive southwest of Edmonton.



Cathy Weetman Western Review Lachlan McLean finds fun things to play with at Discovery Toys.

Cathy Weetman Western Review

Drayton Valley's MacKenzie Conference Centre was a hub of activity April 1 and 2 when the Home Party Expo was held there filled with vendors selling everything from award winning beef jerky to repurposed furniture.

According to organizer Jennifer Smith, the home party expo has been running since annually for seven to eight years. In April and November.

"We always have a fantastic mix of vendors from all over Alberta. I know that in this economy spending can be tight, but on behalf of myself and all of the vendors, we would like to send Drayton and surrounding areas residents a HUGE thank you for their continued support of this local event. Without their support and participation, we would not be able to do what we do. The next show is November 5 and again we will strive to bring diversity to Drayton valley. The vendor lists are ever changing and not our show is the same. We have tried always to have outstanding quality and standards in our show with a professional feel and expert vendors," said Smith.

This party showcased home baking and crafts, refurbished antiques and furniture, jewellery and clothing, an entire booth dedicated to candy for those with a sweet tooth, children's books and toys and brightly painted wooden growth charts.

Home Party Expo held April 1 and 2



Louise Berg, who hails from Sunnybrook, displays some of her refurbished pieces at the Home Party Expo held April 1 and 2 at the MacKenzie Conference Centre. Another expo will be held there in November.

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Nutrition with Karen Seck
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April 20th 6:00 - 8:00 pm
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News

Dead rat found in Brazeau County area

Maître Lalle
Western Review

Brazeau County recently received a report of the discovery of a dead Norway rat at the Country Style Mobile Home Park. "Our site manager did the right thing and

reported the dead rat," said Operations manager Heather Radchenko of Eldorado developments, a company that owns and operates Country Style Mobile Home Park. She confirmed that the dead rat could've come from any one of the many members of the commu-

nity who travel to other provinces such as Saskatchewan or B.C. The dead rat was discovered in the park on March 31. The provincial rat specialist and Brazeau County's Agricultural Fieldman conducted a site visit; bait will be set and authorities

will continue to monitor the situation. So far no physical evidence of rats was found in the area. As such, the rat specialist indicates there is no major cause for concern.

The Province of Alberta operates a Rat Control program to keep the province free of resident populations of rats. Brazeau County's Agricultural Services Division also assists to keep the County

rat-free. For more information, contact Agricultural Fieldman Lisa Rabej at 780-542-7779. If you see a rat, call 318-RATS (7287) or 310-FARM (3276).

COMMUNITY REGISTRATION NIGHT AT OMNIPLEX



Jonathan Klotz/Western Review

Local community groups including Save Life First Aid, Canadian Ski Patrol, and Scouts Canada were present at the Community Registration Night held at the Drayton Valley Omniplex on April 5 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.



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- April 28 - Municipal Planning Commission Meeting, starting at 9 a.m. in Council Chamber.

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Our editorial

What are our local parks for?

Last week, a relatively new couple to Drayton Valley went on an early morning walk to a nearby park and discovered a used needle point down in the dirt by a nearby bench. The man guarded the area where the needle was to make sure no children came near and was successful for nearly three hours. In the meantime, the wife called the non-emergency line of the RCMP twice and was transferred each time to Edmonton. With no RCMP in sight, and when a group of children approached the area where the needle was, the couple's concerns for the children increased and a decision was made to call the RCMP emergency line instead.

Eventually, an RCMP officer arrived at the park, but not before searching three other parks first.

The residents don't fault the RCMP officer for the slow arrival, saying it was probably a combination of the call being sent to Edmonton, where the dispatcher is not familiar with the layout of Drayton Valley, as well as the officer not being familiar with the town.

Fortunately, this story had a happy ending, but what if this happens

again? Will children accidentally stick themselves with a needle if there is no watchful adult around the parks like there was this time?

There are several parks throughout Drayton Valley. Are they also being used for drug deals and for people who want to get high by injecting themselves with drugs?

If yes, who is responsible for keeping drugs out of the parks? The police? Citizens on Patrol? The Town Public Works Department? Ordinary citizens? Or a combination of the above?

One thing is clear – there has to be a way of protecting our children from these dangers, but the question is how do you do it? Do you install lights throughout the parks at night, or video cameras to record illegal activity? Do you chase these people out of the park at night or install chain link fences around them all?

With town sub-committees showing an interest in developing more walking trails and possibly installing more parks in the community, now would be a good opportunity to rid the current parks of illegal activity before it spreads even further or before children accidentally suffer the consequences.

Got a news tip?

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Eat a little, eat a lot

A side from family and friends, there are only three things I love most about life: travel, books, and food. A lot of people look at me funny when they are first trying to get to know me and they ask the usual question of "what do you like doing?" or "what are your hobbies?" and then I answer with "I like to travel, read, and eat."

They do find the "travel" answer to be exciting, the "read" answer to be boring, but the "eat" answer, they just don't get it.

I love love love eating. I enjoy going out and checking out new restaurants even if I had to go by myself. I also travel to new countries just to try food that those countries are known for.

I waited for 25 years to have my first ever macaron in Paris, France. It took a lot of will power



Justine's Journey
Justine Kimoden

to not eat a macaron anywhere else in the world and waited until I booked that plane ticket to France. I also had my first ever gelato of my life when I went to Venice, Italy.

I have this obsession to try signature food of countries in their respective homes. I am sad to say though that I have failed with saving myself from eating sushi, tem-

pura, and ramen until my trip to Japan in August. But I am hoping that my experience eating authentic Japanese food will still be yummy and memorable.

People who know me well will disagree with me when I say I love to eat. It is because they know that I do not finish the food on my plate or I'll do it in because I have put only a small amount of food on my plate. The thing with me is I eat small amounts often because I want to save room for other food I'd like to try. I cannot eat a huge meal, be full, and not have room for more especially when dessert is what's next on the menu.

Anyways, all this writing about food made me hungry so I am going to go eat Caesar salad now and some chocolate-glazed Timbits. Ciao!

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Letter to the editor

A series of T.V. Game and reality shows

Dear Editor,

A Brazen County Council meeting is a series of TV Game and reality shows. It is an absolute must that every taxpayer spend time at one of our council meetings before voting in the next election to see what we are paying for.

I've attended a few over the last couple of years, but April 12th meeting was a complete "Laugh In".

To begin with, there were at least 10 changes in the day's agenda. Why make one up if you change it all around before the meeting? The whole day was a battle between the councillors, the town and Administration. Sort of reminds you of "Survivor" - two leaders, two brains, two lawyers and Bart as referee to make sure no one was voted out.

The meeting was attended by approximately 40 to 50 taxpayers ready for the meeting. When one issue was moved to the top of the list, that had to be voted on "behind closed doors" (Whatever happened to your promise when talking for transparency at these meetings?) I heard everyone sitting there for 25 minutes while this was voted on "behind closed doors". Could this not have been done at the end of the meeting when no one was around?

I was there to see and voice my opinion on the review of the dust control MC20 that is now and has been used for

six years. I have a grave concern about this chemical as it has killed my 25 foot High Blue Spruce trees, and given in the dirt. Dust off this product has also hampered growth of other trees and the garden in my yard, plus over the last few years has caused health issues with my wife.

It was told that this would be addressed in the meeting sometime between 9 and 11 a.m., however, with all the agenda changes and constant delaying and bickering between councillors, this was not tabled until 3:20 p.m. and only then because I was the only one left in the stands, that Bart again changed the agenda to accommodate me! Thank you, Bart! I laugh still be there.

During Council Reports for February, when every councillor reported meetings, seminars and conferences attended to approximately 10 to 12 events. Each one of them attended "Roles and Responsibilities" training, but by the look of it, as one came away with anything positive. At least they didn't behave as if they got anything positive from it.

At one point, there were as many as four motions on the floor and it took 20 minutes to clear things up. It was more like, "Let's Make a Deal" as you withdraw your motion first. Another time, when the bickering went on for a few minutes, Councillor Shirley Mahan spoke up and said, "Come on, guys, let's get this right, the newspaper's here." It also seemed to be that it was the wrong time of the month for Coun-

cillor Anthony Heinrich as he was picking fights with every councillor. A couple of times Bart had to play "Kiddening Coy" and break things up. ridiculous.

At least 10 times during the day the meeting protocol was changed. At one point Bart was pulling his hair, asking "Which procedure are we going to use this time?"

The one issue before that dust control was about changing on a cabinet on a dead-end road. One resident was able to voice his opinions before Council voted on a \$60,000 cabinet change but when it came to the dust control review, procedures were changed again and I was not able to voice my views or concerns before Council voted to try another product at four times the cost of what I was recommending. At least my opinion was voiced at the "Public Input Session". Oh, by the way, Council wants to remove this from council meetings as it takes up too much time. But by a show of hands, people want this session in council.

I said earlier, everyone should attend one council meeting to see the spending of taxpayer dollars in action. One taxpayer said at the meeting this reminds him of another game show - "The Gong Show", and council chambers should have a group at the front so that taxpayers can bang on the gong when things get out of hand.

During my seven hours at the meeting, I heard many times from Bart and Marco about how things are tough and we must be careful with ALL funds

spent, but at the end of the day, you would think the Liberals and NDP were running on empty with the outflow of money. I think much of this was unnecessary, but that's my opinion.

Please, do yourself a favour and check this out for yourselves. A very concerned taxpayer, Don Herman, Brazen County

DRAYTON VALLEY/DEVON PC ASSOCIATION MEETING

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Lindale Community Association

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, April 18th - 7PM
Lindale Community Hall
Everyone Welcome

News

Fire safety tips during grass fire season

Jonathan Munn
Western Review

The Drayton Valley/Brazen County Fire Services would like to remind the public that there is a high risk of grass fires at this time of the year due to the dry conditions, lack of moisture in the winter, and with snow coming earlier than usual. Other friendly reminders given by the fire department include the following:

- ensure that campfires are attended to at all times and that the fire pit is clear of combustible materials such as leaves and grass
- make sure campfires are completely extinguished so make sure to soak it, stir it, and soak it again
- keep debris build away from the hot exhaust of ATVs and off-road vehicles
- check back on old and new burn pile to make sure it is completely extinguished as hold over fires are a main cause of a lot of fires
- before starting a fire, consider the surroundings and the weather conditions
- always have a fire permit when burning outdoors except for proper camp-

fires

FALSE ALARM

The fire department received a fire alarm call from a commercial business in town on April 1. However, fire crews were stood down before they were able to respond as it was a false alarm due to a malfunction in the alarm system.

SMOKE COMPLAINT

On April 1, a smoke complaint call from Rocky Rapids was received by the fire department. Investigation revealed that someone was burning debris in their fire pit that they should not have been burning.

GRASS FIRE

Fire crews responded to a grass fire on April 2. A Brazen County resident was burning grass in their garden and it got away from them.

BUILD OVER TIME

The fire department responded to a call on April 4 involving a hold over brush fire. A hold over fire is a brush pile that was burnt during the winter but ignited again due to strong winds and warmer temperatures. It was found that it was an unpermitted fire in January that caused the fire.

Youth to showcase talents

Jonathan Munn
Western Review

The first Youth Got Talent organized by the Town of Drayton Valley will take place on May 4 at the Bearskin Pickup Arts Centre. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and the show will start at 6:30 p.m.

According to Sheila Bailey, Town of Drayton Valley programming coordinator, the talent show is being put on not just to entertain community members but to inspire other youth as well.

"We are featuring local artists. So far we have Chad McGhie and Kristina Seniak for musical talent, SePine Dance will be doing a fire show, and Davin Stitzinger is doing stand up comedy and emceeing the event," she said. Youth Got Talent is to showcase talent in youth in Drayton Valley and to show other youth in Drayton Valley that it is

possible from a small town to make your dreams come true."

Bailey said there are a lot of opportunities for athletic youth to be recognized in town so the town decided it is time to put the spotlight on other youth aged 10 to 18 years old who may have other talents to share.

"The idea to put on a talent show came from when times are slower and people need something to do," she said. "And I think Drayton Valley has always been a sports town, so it is great to get out and actually celebrate all of the talented artists that we have in our community as well."

Any youth interested in performing at the talent show can contact Bailey at (780) 514-2560 by April 15. Tickets to the talent show cost \$5 each and can be purchased at the Drayton Valley Omniplex front desk or at the town office.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, May 4th 2016

Drayton Valley Legion • 7 pm

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Entertainment

Tribute band crushes real Bon Jovi



Cathy Weetman
Western Review

Who's had a crush on the rock group Bon Jovi and its lead singer Jon Bon Jovi? The answer is everybody who attended the Max Centre on April 2 when Crush, a tribute band out of Toronto, played two hours' worth of songs from Bon Jovi's albums.

Formed in 2002, Crush plays to both small and large audiences in Can-

ada and the United States. The group consists of lead singer Kenneth Vella, guitarist Gianni Salerno, drummer Rob Greco, bass guitar Mark Arbour and keyboardist Jordan Vogel.

The whole evening was rocking with songs such as You Can't Go Home Again, I'd Die For You, Keep the Faith, I'll Be There For You, Runaway, I Don't Want to Live Forever, You Give Love a Bad Name and ended with Livin' on a Prayer before

the audience whistled them back on stage.

Crush invited the audience to get up and dance to the music, and attendees did not disappoint as single women danced to the fast songs and a number of couples canoodled on the dance floor for the slow songs.

Coupled with a fantastic roast beef dinner and cheesecake for desert, the evening was one few people will forget.

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Cathy Weetman Western Review
Pictured are (l. to r.) lead singer Kenneth Vella, drummer Rob Greco and bassist Mark Arbour, who make up three quarters of the tribute band Crush, sang and played to an appreciative audience at the Max Centre in Drayton Valley on April 2. Missing from the photograph is lead guitarist Gianni Salerno.

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Unreserved Real Estate, Equipment & Consignment Auctions

Unreserved Real Estate

Apr 16 Michael & Valerie Symchuk
Jarvis AB - Approx 110 open cultivated acres of #2-3 soil (ready for seeding)
#21-63-27-W4 & 133-AB acres

Apr 23 Trevor Leach
Bartholomew AB - Home 1/4 with 1039 open cultivated acres of mostly #2 soil (ready for seeding)
NW23-58-4-W5th & 147.13 Acres

Apr 28 Darwen & Joanna Dyck
Fort Vermilion/High Level - new land is being opened up for farming.
SW12-10-13-W5 & NW12-10-13-W5 & 150 acres ea

Apr 29 Dennis Allanbrand
Fort Vermilion/High Level - 2 good, organically farmed 1/4's.
NE13-109-13-W5 & 154 acres
NW13-109-13-W5 & 144 acres

Apr 28 Brian Wilson
Pt Vermilion AB - Lot & House (house needs repair)
B5 & 132' Lot & 1640 sq ft house

Apr 28 Brian & Peggy Coshell
Fort Vermilion/High Level
NE, SE, SW, NW 20-109-10-W5 & 160 Acres ea
Pt NW & SW 3-110-11-W5 & 171.98 Acres
Pt NE & NW 4-110-11-W5 & 134.33 acres

Apr 28 Al & Jessica Kleasen
High Level AB
SE 22-110-18-W5 & 158 acres

May 7 The Late George Semenuk
Evansburg, AB
SE 22-54-8-W5 & 157.97 Acres
NE 15-54-8-W5 & 145 Acres
NW 15-54-8-W5 & 157.97 Acres

May 21 John & Margaret Krahn
La Crete AB - Selling 15.5 acre acreage with house & developed garage
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Hines Creek AB - Great family starter home or revenue property
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Consignment Auction

9 AM - Thursday, Apr 28, 2016 La Crete, AB
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Gator's Lawn Care

12 PM - Saturday, May 14, 2016 High Level AB
Mowers, Lawn Equipment, Vehicles, Trailers



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Isaac Peters 780-634-7072

Apr 28 9 am La Crete, AB
David Froese 780-841-7737

May 28 10 am Entwistle, AB
Brandon Wright 780-898-5603
Justin Meyer 780-898-9050

Trevor Leach

109 open cultivated acres mostly #2 soil
10 AM Saturday, April 23, 2016, Bartholomew, AB
Tractors & Industrial Loader, Combine, Sower, Grain Trucks & Grain Wagons, Seeding, Tillage & Climbing Equipment, Grain Bins & Equipment, Haying Equipment & Bale Trailer, Pickups, Trailers, Recreational & Lawn Tractor



The Late George Semenuk

3 Quarters of Land
10 AM - Saturday, May 7, 2016 Evansburg AB
Tractors & Attachments, Harvest Equipment & Grain Bins, Tillage & Seeding Equipment, Trucks & Trailers, Haying Equipment, Motor Homes & Recreational, 3 PT Hitch & Livestock Related Equipment, Shop, Welder & Yard Equipment and more



John & Margaret Krahn

10 AM - Saturday, May 21, 2016 La Crete, AB
Acreage Equipment and more



Consignment Auction

10 AM - Saturday, May 28, 2016 Entwistle, AB
Tractors & Industrial Equipment, Trucks & Trailers, 3 PT & Field Saver Attachments, Haying Equipment, Harvest Equipment, Farm Equipment, Livestock Equipment, Lawn & Yard Equipment, Other, Buildings, Tents & Ornamental Gates, Shop Equipment and more



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Jun 4 10 am Cleardale, AB
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Jun 10 10 am Westlock, AB
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News

Nature Play program starts



These two participants of the Nature Play program paired up for a couple of activities such as a scavenger hunt that began on April 2.



Nature Play program instructor Jessica Doucette explains the scavenger hunt the group is about to embark on in the woods behind Eldorado School on April 2.

Cathy Weetman
Western Review

The second in a series of fun programs for children started April 2 at the former Macquarie College building in Drayton Valley. Called Nature Play, some 16 participants will be spending a total of six weeks learning about nature through a series of activities and games led by instructor Jessica Doucette with program supervisor Cory Finn.

Finn noted the previous programs, including Mad Scientist, Yoga and Play Space, were all filled up, so is the Nature Play program. "The point of the program is familiarizing children with nature, decreasing their anxiety, enabling them to play and respect nature and helping them use their five senses - taste, touch, smell, hear and see. On the first day of the program, Doucette had participants make name tags for themselves and put their names on activity booklets which they took outside with them on a scavenger hunt behind Eldorado School. Before heading outside, the participants were each asked

to introduce themselves and tell the group about something that they liked about nature, such as listening to birds or gardening. Once the group walked over to the woods behind the school, they had to read from their activity books and look for items listed in the books. Some of the items they were to look for were something funny, something happy, something herocious, something sticky and something dead, to name a few. The Nature Play program continues for a total of six weeks and starts every Saturday morning at 10 a.m.

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News

Genealogical Fair to hold children's events

By Miriam Roberts

The Drayton Valley Branch of Alberta Genealogical Society (AGS) will be hosting "Pulling Together Your Family History" on Saturday April 23rd 2016 at the Royal Canadian Legion 5284 51st Avenue from 9:30 to 3:30 p.m. Cost will be \$5.00 per person.

The public are invited to attend to learn about genealogy and obtain answers to questions that they may have about their own family's history. AGS members and vendors will be on hand for one-on-one conversations, computer look-ups and presentations.

A highlight of GenFair this year is the introduction of family history to children. The workbooks are being prepared by John Althouse a former teacher, for children from 6 to 10 years of age. There are two resources now available for ages 6-8 (resource 1) and 8-11 years (Resource 2). The program can be used in schools and by families at home too. Stop by to meet John, view the resources that he has developed and see what he has in mind for the remaining resources that he is currently developing.

One of the vendors will have a family history game to share at GenFair called "Family History Twist 'n' Tell," a children's game that incorporates genealogy. Other vendors will also be in attendance.

GenFair will also have three speakers: 1 At 10:30 am Keynote Speaker Ronald Kelland events in every human life are attached to the place those events happened. Knowing those places and their names make it possible to trace past lives and through time and distance. Ron Kelland's presentation will look at the role of place names in our culture, explore the connection between place names

and offer suggestions on sources for place name information.

2 At 1:00pm Session Speaker Susan Hage AGS President, Topic: Between the Census this presentation discusses resources that the researcher can use to provide information, similar to what they would normally find in census records such as: directories, newspapers, tax records, voters' lists etc.

3 At 2:30pm Liaison Kruger AGS 1st Vice President, Topic: Google Search and Google Drive for Genealogists. The first part of this session will show how to use Google searches effectively, secondly, how to use Google Drive to store and share information, documents, and photos with others. Participants may bring

their laptops or tablets to use during this session, but is not a requirement. Please note only theatre seating is available, there are no tables provided for laptops.

An invitation is open to all the public. There is no need to pre-register; just pay at the door. Children under 17 are free. Come and enjoy an inexpensive day of information sharing, and learn tips on how to search for your family tree!

For additional information contact Connie Stahl at ags.dvbranch@gmail.com Or go to the Drayton Valley website: <http://www.abgenealogy.ca/drayton-valley-branch> Or go to AGS website: <http://www.abgenealogy.ca/2016-ags-genfair>

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News

Drayton Valley Pro Rodeo is back

Justin Klondike
Western Review

Bull riding, tie down roping, and ladies' barrel racing are only three of the seven rodeo events spectators can watch at the second annual Drayton Valley Pro Rodeo. The rodeo is being put on by the Drayton Valley Pro Rodeo Society and will take place from April 29 to May 1 at the Drayton Valley Complex.

Tyson Pletsch, Drayton Valley Pro Rodeo Society president, said local groups in town have come together to help make this year's rodeo better than last year.

More community groups are getting involved and getting behind it and working with us to make it a bigger and better event, so we are really looking forward to this," he said. "The Drayton Valley Rodeo is once again doing a beer garden and is hosting a dance on Saturday night at Omni 2, while C/AD is going to be selling 50/50 tickets again to raise funds for themselves."

In order to provide assistance to Drayton Valley residents who are struggling, Pletsch said the society also partnered up with the local food bank.

"We figured this year it would be a good thing to ask the people who come to the rodeo to bring a non-perishable food item because of the downturn in the economy," he said. "It is tough out there right now. I mean it was tough last year and it is tough this year, but we hope that by putting on a community event, we can give the community something to come and enjoy and get their mind off of things and then help those who are less fortunate."

Pletsch said last year's rodeo was a success so the society decided to bring it back to town again this year. "Last year far exceeded our expectations. It was

incredible. It was such a success and thanks to all the businesses and community groups that helped us out along the way," he said. "I think people like that kind of entertainment. I think they like western entertainment and it was a good quality event and the calibre cowboys we had and the calibre stock is the best in Canada. When something like that comes to your community you want to come see it."

Tickets are available for sale at Value Drug Mart or at the door. "We kept the prices exactly the same as last year's," Pletsch said. "Tickets can be purchased per day or we have a weekend pass. There is also a family price ticket, so if a family of four wants to come we give them a deal as well."



Western Review File Photo
Put your cowboy hats on as the Drayton Valley Pro Rodeo will be back in town from April 29 to May 1 at the Drayton Valley Complex.

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News

RCMP investigates mischief to Canada Post boxes

Justin Klondike
Western Review

A report regarding mischief was received by the RCMP on April 1 at 2 p.m. It was reported that locks were broken off of Canada post boxes located in 43 Street in Drayton Valley as well as on Township Road 494. It is unknown if anything was stolen.

BREAK AND ENTER
On March 31 at 8:40 a.m., the RCMP received a report regarding a break and enter at an oil and gas site past Lodgepole. The break and enter happened overnight and items were reported to have been stolen.

SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
The RCMP received a call regarding a suspicious vehicle at a college in town on March 31. Investigations revealed that a man in the suspicious vehicle was waiting for his wife to finish a test.

CAR VERSUS DEER
There was a collision involving a car and a deer on April 1 at 9 a.m. on Highway 22. The deer was killed.

Another car and deer collision was reported on April 5 at noon. This time it occurred on Range Road 82.

The RCMP received another report involving a car and a deer on April 6. It was reported that the deer was killed.

THEFT
On April 1 at 9 a.m., the RCMP received a theft call from a lease site. A copper wire and solar panel was reported stolen.

There was a report of a shoplifter at Dolarama in Drayton Valley on April 1 at 6 p.m. The case is still under investigation.

CAR VERSUS PEDESTRIAN
On April 4 at 6 a.m., the RCMP received a call regarding a collision between a car and a pedestrian on 50 Street in Drayton Valley just south of 45 Avenue. Only minor injuries were reported.

GAS AND DASH

The RCMP received a call regarding a gas and dash complaint on April 4 at 8 a.m. The gas and dash occurred at a gas station in

Tomahawk. It was reported the following day that the truck involved in the gas and dash was actually stolen and was later recovered in Mayethorpe.

Acreage Sale for Ron (Dary) WADE of Evansburg, AB

Sunday, APRIL 17th, 2016 @ 12 NOON

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AUCTIONEER'S NOTE Ron is selling his acreage and moving. This is a second generation farm with a very unique collection of items. Ron's dad was very involved in building kayaks and canoes and was a teacher in the area for many years. For more information please call Ron at 780-218-3232 or Timberline Auctions at 780-542-7323.

UPCOMING AUCTIONS:	
Thurs, April 14th @ 12 Noon	Complete Cow Herd & Rope Horse Disposal for Mark THESSEN of Drayton Valley, AB
Sun, April 17th @ 12 Noon	Acreage Auction for Ron (Dary) WADE of Evansburg, AB
Sun, April 24th @ 12 Noon	Farm Auction for Mark & Pat SAUND of Drayton Valley, AB
Thurs, April 28th @ 11:00 AM	Farm Auction for Glen & Marlene HOLLAND of Stony Plain, AB
Fri, May 6th @ 10:00 AM	Close-Out Auction for Don Loring Trailer Sales Inc. of Drayton, AB
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Get ready for the Day of Play

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

Canadian Tire is working towards hosting the Day of Play, a free event filled with sports for children and adults.

Special event co-ordinator Chantelle Lamoureux said there will be summer games and winter games with hockey, basketball, volleyball, indoor soccer, tennis, football, etc. for everyone to enjoy the day filled with sports. A lot of our activities are at the Omniplex.

"We know Drayton Valley has had a hard time. Everyone has been having a hard time. People are losing their jobs. So we want to create a feel good event. Not only do we want to raise money, but we want to give people a feel good event," said Canadian Tire General Manager Justin Lamoureux.

The goal is to raise \$40,000 to go towards the local Jumpstart Charities. Jumpstart is the Canadian Tire's Corporation charity geared towards

getting children into sports and keeping them active.

Drayton Valley FCSB partnered with Canadian Tire to help parents connect with the program.

"I don't know if people in the community realize that all the funds that are raised through Canadian Tire for the Jumpstart program are within our own community," said Drayton Valley FCSB coordinator Lola Strand.

Last year the Jumpstart program helped about 75 children participate in sports and gave out more than \$17,000 to reach the goal.

"I am a family that can't afford to send my kids to, let's say soccer, and I need to get them soccer shoes, so what I do is, go through the community partner and then they will send the application for me and get approval for a certain range of funds," he explained.

The goal for this year is to raise \$6,000 for the pool of money to help children. For this goal, Canadian Tire will be putting in twice as much of the money raised by the community

up to \$4,000. As an example, Justin Lamoureux explained if the community raises \$2,000, Canadian Tire will put in \$4,000 and have \$6,000 ready for children.

People need to realize how much people rely on Jumpstart program. We have been getting more and more requests so we had to scale back funding per kid to help more kids," he said. Last year, the amount of money spent on every child averaged to about \$250 this year it will be about \$150 per child to help more children.

We have helped over 500 kids in Drayton Valley since 2011 and are looking to help over 200 more this year alone in the Drayton Valley area, with this hopefully being our biggest year ever for getting kids into sports," he said.

The event will raise money with a silent auction and a raffle. Although the event is free, people will have to pay for food and half the proceeds will go towards the pool.

Parents can apply for an application online at Canadian Tire and for any questions contact Lola Strand at 780-514-2294.

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Golfing pain shouldn't be par for the course

News Canada

A little know-how can help golfers avoid unnecessary injury. Considering the number of times a swing is repeated during a game it's not surprising that the season often ends early for those who are not physically prepared.

Every year, Ontario's chiropractors say they treat countless golfers for injuries that could easily have been prevented. That's why the Ontario Chiropractic Association's public awareness campaign called Get in the Game Without the Pain, is one of their most popular programs year after year.

Below are a few simple stretching techniques that can help prevent or reduce the impact of injuries.

- Side bending stretch**
- Stand with feet shoulder-width apart.
 - Hold the golf club above your head with your arms straight.
 - Slowly bend to one side, without rota-

ting, until you feel a stretch in the side of your back.

Shoulder stretch

- Hold the shaft of a golf club vertically behind your back.
- Gently pull the club up with your top hand until you feel a slight stretch in the shoulder of your lower arm. Hold for 15 seconds.
- Gently pull the club down with your bottom hand until you feel a stretch in the top shoulder and arm.

- Hold for 15 seconds.
- Reverse hand positions and repeat. This takes you through these exercises, and recommends that you visit a chiropractor if you experience any lingering pain and discomfort after playing golf. Find out more at www.chiropractic.ca

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News

Town council is listening to the community

Western Review

Mayor Glenn McLean wants the community to know that Town is listening.

"This council has done far more for the community than any other council in our history," he says. "I hope the public to actively listen to ideas and concerns. Our budget consultation process alone is a demonstration of that," said McLean.

Recently, a group of business owners and representatives were at a town meeting requesting Council to immediately roll back 5 per cent in taxes and bring it to 2016 level. The group went out and asked

members in the community to sign the document to support rolling back taxes and received about 225 signatures.

"The reason we started is because the Town is in a dire state. People are not working and businesses are closing. The more we went on the streets and talked to people, the more we found out how bad it really was," said one of the group members and a local businessman, Alex Blas.

McLean said during the discussion the group may have estimated that Town council is not listening and that is not true.

The group would like to see Council to refrain from any further tax increases until the economic situation improves.

McLean explained that the group is asking for a total of 7.65 per cent decrease in taxes, a roll back of five per cent plus the anticipated interim operating budget number which is 2.75 per cent.

That's what they are asking for and that's a very large number. It's approximately a million dollars or a little more to take out from our budget. It will be roughly the equivalent of shutting down the Omniplex and the pool," explained McLean.

The signatures on the document are from people who run businesses in Drayton Valley and the tax cut is for everyone who pays taxes in Drayton Valley.

Blas explained that the group is not expecting the same level of ser-

vice from the Town should the taxes be lowered.

Everyone is cutting expenses wages, and hours, so I hope the town does the same as the businesses are doing right now and save money. We will have to do with less. Everybody is doing with less, so we expect less from the town, too. We don't expect same services as they always have if they have to cut taxes," he said.

McLean explained that fewer taxes would mean fewer services for the town.

"There's only so much money in the pond and a good deal is raised by property taxes," he said.

Blas explained that under the Alberta Municipal Act, the Town has

a legal obligation to provide some services.

"Not all the services, but some critical and expensive ones are so let's bear that in mind," said McLean. The group is urging Town Council to remember that the community is seeing tough days.

"Going around and asking petitions to sign a petition was worse than I expected. Everyone is hurting out there so the town has to do something. I just hope and pray that they will," said Blas.

A few other members of the group were contacted by the Western Review for more comments but an interview could not be arranged before the deadline.

Arrest made in credit card scam

Special to the Western Review

Boyle - The Boyle RCMP took an adult male into custody on April 1 after it was determined that the male was involved in scamming

local business for approximately \$149,000.

On March 24 the RCMP was in an investigation of a \$50,000 fraudulent credit card transactions at an area tire retailer. In total at least 13 retailers were placed for tires by companies which were later found to be fabricated.

Based on information uncovered during the investigation,

placed with fraudulent and stolen credit cards at totalling \$149,000.

A 28-year-old Telford resident has been charged with trafficking in property obtained by crime, possession of stolen property and possession of a controlled substance and is set to appear in Boyle Provincial Court on April 12.

It was also determined that the male was involved in the same scam in Telford on March 31 and is facing similar charges out of that point.

Based on information uncovered during the investigation,

it is believed that this is a wide ranging scam and there is a high likelihood that other businesses in the Edmonton area and through out the province have been affected.

To avoid being victimized by this scam, it is imperative that businesses exercise due diligence when taking credit card information and to verify the validity of all credit card orders prior to turning over the property.

If your business has been affected, please contact your local RCMP detachment or policing service.

Thorsby police asking for public's assistance with two crimes

On March 30, 2016, Thorsby RCMP received complaints of two different thefts on Range Road 40 near Twp 502, a red ute.

Some time between 10 pm on March 29 and 8 am on March 30 a truck was broken into and three brand new batteries were stolen in order to gain access to the

cabin the door handle was damaged by the suspects.

During the same night a second property was accessed and an unknown quantity of

fuel was stolen from a tank. A lock was damaged to gain access to the tank.

If you have any information that could assist in this investigation please contact the Thorsby RCMP at 780-789-5351 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 or www.crimestoppers.ca if you wish to remain anonymous.

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POSTMEDIA

News

Derrick Toastmasters win big



Rob Taylor being awarded first place for the Evaluation contest. (L-R) Carol Penner (Area H6 Director), Rob Taylor, Rhys Davies (Chief Judge), Michael Henning (Event Toastmaster)



Mahlon Kitching being awarded first place for the International Speech contest. (L-R) Mahlon Kitching, Carol Penner (Area H6 Director), Rhys Davies (Chief Judge), Michael Henning (Event Toastmaster)

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HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW

LOOK INSIDE TODAY'S WESTERN REVIEW

For the second time this season, the Drayton Valley Toastmasters club took top honours at the recent Area H6 contest.

On Saturday, April 2, two Drayton Valley Derrick Toastmasters competed for, and took first prize at the Toastmaster Area H6 International Speech and Evaluation contest. Drayton Valley's Mahlon Kitching and Rob Taylor competed against members from the Devon, Leduc and Camrose clubs, and go on to compete in the April 16 Division Contest in Leduc, where they will be pitted against the top tier representatives

from six other Areas, spanning from South Edmonton to Red Deer.

"Competitions are a great way for members to test the skills they develop as they go through the program," says Club President Marc Haine. "It is really phenomenal to watch new members develop their confidence and speaking skills to the point where the once shy, nervous and apprehensive member steps up to want to compete. It is exciting that these new members then win."

The International Speech contest challenges speakers to prepare and deliver a five to seven-minute

speech that connects with their audience. "This is not a stand-up routine," says Haine. "It is story-telling with a purpose, with a message." Mahlon Kitching kept the audience engaged and laughing as he talked about how we learn from our mistakes.

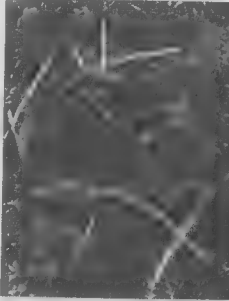
The Evaluation contest is much different. Learning to deliver effective evaluations with the goal of reinforcing good habits, and offering some suggestions for improvement is a skill most employers with their supervisors had. "As Toastmasters, that is a key skill set we practice," says Haine.

"Rob Taylor did a great job of evaluating the test speaker. His use of self-deprecating humour, and his sensitivity to the needs of the speaker were evident in his three minute evaluation." The winner will progress to the Division contest, then if successful, will be invited to compete in the District Contest, representing the best speakers in over 300 clubs from Saskatchewan and Alberta. The winner of the International Speech contest then goes on to compete for the World Champion of Public Speaking being held later this year in Washington, DC.

The Drayton Valley Toastmasters club meets every Wednesday, at 7:15 pm at the former Norquest College campus, 1056 5 Ave, Drayton Valley. The long-standing club helps their members develop public speaking and leadership skills, which ultimately leads to enhanced levels of confidence that members take into both their personal and professional lives. "We enjoy having visitors come and experience what Toastmasters have to offer," says Haine. "Guests are free to drop in, or call him at (780) 724-4912 for more information."

News

Used needle found in children's park



After a used needle was found in a children's park, a resident put twigs around it and watched over it until the RCMP could arrive to remove it.

Cathy Weisman
Western Review

A used needle was found at the Lions Children's Park April 1.

A couple (who did not want their names mentioned) said they went out for a walk during a break from unpacking and headed to the park, located at 48th Street and 47A Avenue where they discovered the needle, point first in the ground.

They made the first of three phone calls to the RCMP at 7:50 a.m. but their call was transferred to Edmonton on the non-emergency line. A second call was made 45 minutes later, also on the non-emergency line, and was again sent to Edmonton.

During this time, the resident who discovered the needle sat on a nearby bench in the park, keeping an eye out for children who might come near. He also surrounded the needle with twigs. However, two hours and 45 minutes later, children began arriving at the park and the couple decided to call the RCMP on the emergency line.

"I have no fault with the RCMP officer who finally did arrive at the park, because he had been checking three other parks first before he arrived at the one with the needle. I think it was a combination of the call being sent to Edmonton and maybe a new officer who didn't know the area well that contributed to the delay," said the resident.

He was not sure about which organizations maintain the parks, but a call to the Town Office confirmed that the Public Works Department maintains them through out the year.

ASK THE PROS...

WHAT ARE PRESIDENTS FOMO AND WERE WILL THEY DO THIS YEAR?

President's FOMO (Fear Of Missing Out) is a social media phenomenon where people feel the need to constantly be online and participating in social media activities. It's a fear of missing out on what others are doing or experiencing. This can lead to anxiety, stress, and even depression. It's important to remember that social media is just a representation of reality, not reality itself. Take a break from social media and focus on the people and experiences in your life.

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The kettlebell is a versatile piece of equipment that can be used for a variety of exercises. To improve your kettlebell technique, focus on the following tips:

- 1. Keep your feet flat and firmly rooted in the ground.
- 2. Use a slight lean back (not a full lean back) to keep your back straight.
- 3. Keep your head in line with your spine.
- 4. Keep your shoulders over your hips.
- 5. Keep your hips over your ankles.
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- 10. Keep your hips over your ankles.

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School notebook

Notebook continued from page 26

ST. ANTHONY

P.A.T.'s are just around the corner. Tuesday May 12 Grade 6 English PAT - Part A Wednesday, May 15 Grade 6 English PAT - Part B Thursday, June 16 Grade 6 Math PAT Friday, June 17 Grade 6 Science PAT Monday, June 20 Grade 6 Social PAT

We are now accepting Preschool—Grade 6 registrations for the 2016-2017 school year. Registration forms are available at the office.

3 year old Preschool students must be 3 years of age by September 1st, 2016.

4 year old Preschool students must be 4 years of age by December 31, 2016.

Kindergarten students must be 5 years of age by December 31, 2016.

If you have a child/children, currently enrolled @ St. Anthony School, you do not have to fill out a Registration Form.

If you have any questions please feel free to drop by or call the office 780-542-4396.

News from the Shark Tank Running Club have their feet quickly moving on Mondays 7:15-4:15.

Archery Club practice Wednesdays & Fridays Grades 4 & 5 from 3:10-4:30, Grades 6, 7 & 8 4:30-5:10 (there will be NO practice on Wednesdays April 20th).

Shark Tank News Panago Pizza Vouchers fundraiser, \$10.00 per Voucher for 1 Medium Pizza, \$7.00 from each voucher sold will go to the Shark Tank. Honored at any Panago Pizza across Canada! See Mrs. Lemermeyer at the office to purchase yours today!

As many know, we are working hard to fundraise for our new Shark Tank Inclusive Play ground. In April we will be doing a fundraiser called, "Go Wag Wags". The plans are split into 10 categories, each with a prize. We are hoping for a delivery right before Mother's Day. Some prize options available are: 1. Premium hanging baskets, 12" strawberry hanging baskets, 10 pack 4 3" Vase

Annuals (Petunias in purple and white and marigolds in orange), 10 pack 4 3" Premium Annuals (Zonal Geraniums in red, pink and white, 12" outdoor patio planter, 10 pack 4 3" herb and tomato pack, organic garden soil and fertilizer shaker. Keep watching for information coming home with your child!

Important Reminders Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for Alberta weather.

Please ensure that you use the crosswalk when you drop off your children. We want our students to be safe at all times.

There is a Handicapped parking spot on the South side of the crosswalk in front of the school. It is marked with blue paint. Please make sure that you are not parked in this spot, as this spot needs to be available for those whom require it.

Office hours are 8:00-4:00. Parents please make sure you call the office or email kerrle.lemermeyer@starcatholic.ab.ca if your child will be late or absent. If you have reached the answering machine please leave a message as staff are unavailable to answer the phone.

Dates to Remember 11th - Miss Lemermeyer's class swimming 11:00-12:00, Grade 8's to HTA, 1:10 Grade 4's perform @ Music Festival, 1:20 Grade 5's perform @ Music Festival, 1:55 Grade 5's perform @ Music Festival.

12th - 13th, 14th, 18th & 19th - Grade 6 class swimming 11:00-12:00.

13th - Volunteer Lunch 12:00 - 1:30.

14th - 15th Grade 3's perform @ Music Festival, 10:20 Grade 1's perform @ Music Festival, 1:10 Grade 2's perform @ Music Festival.

15th - NO SCHOOL PD Day.

18th - Alberia Opera, Parent Council Meeting 7:00 pm, babysitting provided.

20th, 21st, 25th, 26th & 27th Miss Baillie's class swimming 11:00-12:00.

21st - Tim Horton's Snack Day.

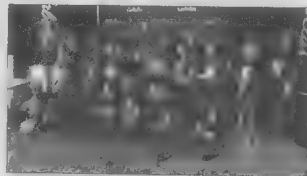
22nd - Adoration.

Most Up-to-date info can be found @ stancatholic.ab.ca or Facebook: St. Anthony School Drayton Valley.

Entwistle students do well



Pictured are the Entwistle Eagles basketball team who made it to the Finals this year.



The Entwistle Eagles archery team placed second in a tournament held in Drayton Valley recently.

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Andrew and Simone
celebrated the birth of their son,
Maxwell,
on Monday,
March 28th.
Drew and Simone
and their family
were joined by
family and friends
for a celebration
at the home of
the new arrival.
Maxwell is a
healthy baby boy
weighing 7 lbs 10
oz and measuring
18 inches long.
He is named after
his grandfather,
Maxwell Smith.
Simone and
Andrew are
thrilled to have
Maxwell join
their family.

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Obituaries

Lynne Urkevich 1944 - 2016



Lynne could be counted on to show up for you and to make sure you were taken care of. She was a true friend and a true sister. Lynne was born on March 12, 1944, in Drayton Valley, Alberta. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Urkevich. Lynne was a member of the Drayton Valley United Church. She was a loving mother and grandmother. She was preceded in death by her father, John Urkevich, and her mother, Mary Urkevich. Lynne is survived by her husband, Steve Urkevich, and their children, Steve and Julie. Lynne was a very kind and gentle person. She was always ready to help others and to make them feel at home. She was a true friend and a true sister. Lynne was a member of the Drayton Valley United Church. She was a loving mother and grandmother. She was preceded in death by her father, John Urkevich, and her mother, Mary Urkevich. Lynne is survived by her husband, Steve Urkevich, and their children, Steve and Julie.

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Roger Pequin Sr. 1945 - 2016

Mr. Roger Pequin Sr. passed away at the Story Plan Care Centre on Friday, April 1, 2016 at the age of 71 years. Roger will be lovingly remembered by his children, Sheila (Craig) Jensen; Monique Pequin (Ralph Olson) and Roger (Julie) Pequin Jr.; his mother Cecile Pequin, and grandchildren. Roger is also survived by 7 younger siblings and his long-time special companion, Mrs. Pearl Redinger. Memorial Mass was celebrated on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Drayton Valley, with interment taking place at Riverview Cemetery. For those who wish to do so, memorial contributions to Roger's name may be made directly to the Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation - CT420 4550 Madsen Avenue, Drayton Valley, Alberta T7A 1H6. Condolences may be sent to www.serenity.ca.

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SWENDSEN, Charlotte F -
It is with great sorrow that the soul of Charlotte F. Swendsen moved on, March 29 at noon. Her positive and humorous spirit will be missed by her friends, her two sons, Scott and Cole, their wives Alana and Jody, and her grandchildren: Riley, Layne, Taylor, Dawson, Grace. Her spirit will be missed.

Steve Yurkiewicz March 3, 1938 - March 31, 2016

On Thursday, March 31, 2016, Mr. Steve Yurkiewicz of Drayton Valley passed away at the age of 78 years.

Steve always loved to cherish his memory. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Yurkiewicz. He was a member of the Drayton Valley United Church. He was a loving father and grandfather. He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph Yurkiewicz, and his mother, Mary Yurkiewicz. Steve is survived by his wife, Donna Yurkiewicz, and their children, Steve and Julie. Steve was a very kind and gentle person. He was always ready to help others and to make them feel at home. He was a true friend and a true sister. Steve was a member of the Drayton Valley United Church. He was a loving father and grandfather. He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph Yurkiewicz, and his mother, Mary Yurkiewicz. Steve is survived by his wife, Donna Yurkiewicz, and their children, Steve and Julie.

Funeral services for Steve were held on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 11:00 a.m., at All Saints Anglican Church, Drayton Valley, with Reverend Ernie Vickary officiating. Interment followed at Riverview Cemetery. If friends so desire memorial donations may be made to All Saints Anglican Church, Box 7177, Drayton Valley, AB T7A 1S4.

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In Memoriams

Donna Mae Gervais

April 5, 1944 - April 9, 2016

She died at home surrounded by her family. She was a loving mother and grandmother. She was preceded in death by her father, John Gervais, and her mother, Mary Gervais. Donna is survived by her husband, Steve Gervais, and their children, Steve and Julie. Donna was a very kind and gentle person. She was always ready to help others and to make them feel at home. She was a true friend and a true sister. Donna was a member of the Drayton Valley United Church. She was a loving father and grandfather. She was preceded in death by her father, John Gervais, and her mother, Mary Gervais. Donna is survived by her husband, Steve Gervais, and their children, Steve and Julie.

Michael Lee Holman

July 5, 1985 - April 12, 2015

It's hard to believe a year ago today you were taken from us. We only have pictures now. A frozen piece of time to remind us of how it was when you were here. How lucky we are to have so many memories, your beautiful smile, your teasing ways and your kind heart. It's hard to forget you, who gave us so much to remember.

Forever missed
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Town of Drayton Valley



Summer Recreation Program Leader

The Summer Recreation Program Leader is responsible for the daily programs offered to children and youth at the town's parks. Follow all guidelines, policies and procedures including all safety guidelines set by the Community Services Department. This includes ensuring the parks are well maintained and safe for users. Delivering of age appropriate activities and events, administrative duties and responding to public inquiries. College or University students in a related field of study would be ideal for this position.

For a full job description and list of qualifications, please visit draytonvalley.ca/employment-opportunities/. Please submit a cover letter outlining your skills and experience with your resume, no later than **April 15, 2016**, in confidence to:

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Sleep—Is it really important?



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It's been several weeks now since I have been sick with Shingles. While I always knew of this illness and the terrible rash it gives, I never knew of the terrible pain that comes along with it. At times my kitchen cupboard has looked like a pharmacy with all the medication my doctor has had me on. Having a supportive wife and employer has allowed me time to rest during the day. But to be honest, one of the worst aspects of the illness, past few weeks has been how my illness has affected my sleep.

Having shingles has reminded me of the importance of sleep. Like many things in life, you only start to value it when you no longer have it and illness can often be the catalyst to remind us of this. To be honest, I had forgotten what the world looks like at 4am.

Sleep is an essential part of a healthy lifestyle, both for adults and for growing children. Similar to eating well and keeping active, sleeping is an essential part to feeling your best and staying mentally well. It affects how you feel, your relationships, your productivity and your quality of life. While you sleep, your brain goes to work, consolidating the day's learning into memory and re-energizing the body.

Lack of sleep has been shown to cause many health and social issues, according to research, lack of sleep can cause: Depression • premature aging • weight gain and marital problems to name just a few. In fact sleep deprivation will kill you before starvation. It takes two weeks to starve but after only 10 days without sleep, your life can be

in danger.
In children, lack of sleep can cause behaviours such as hyperactivity, moodiness, lack of focus and impulsivity. Children on average need 10 hours sleep at night and it's crucial that as parents we work hard to ensure that our children get the best out of life by sleeping well.

One of the key ways to help children and adults to sleep well, is to create a sleeping environment of low stimuli and relaxation. In our modern age of high technology use, we can often find devices such as iPods, Cell phones and TV's creeping into our places of sleep. Research has found that having electronic devices such as TV in a child's bedroom can lead to other health issues such as obesity, heart disease and diabetes, as children with TV's in their room can tend to have reduced sleep times and are often less active.

My children like many others, enjoy TV, video games and other electronics but what we have found useful is to keep their bedrooms electronic free and instead encouraged our children to read at night when going to sleep. As a family of five, we have had to work hard at keeping structured bed times and wake up times. This has not only been healthy for our children but has helped to keep our sanity in our marriage as we have quality time together in the evening.

Each family and child is different and need different amounts of sleep. But what is for certain, is sleep is key to a healthy life and a healthy family. Having a good night's sleep will help you to feel good and enjoy life to the fullest. This week take some time to think about your sleep and why not find a good book and head to bed a little earlier and just see how you feel the next day.

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The United Nations have deemed this the Year of Pulses. For most readers the idea of focusing on an obscure agricultural crop like this is likely of little interest.

I am here to change that. In fact, pulses are huge right now and you do know them, just not likely by that name: the pulse family includes dried beans, peas, lentils and chickpeas, all members of the legume family. Measured in nutrients-per-acre, pulses come out on top of most surveys, way ahead of grains and we won't even talk about beef. Countries like India and many African nations have come to rely on pulses to feed their densely populated regions.

The United Nations have determined that the Year of Pulses will be an opportunity to "highlight nutritional benefits of pulses as part of sustainable food production aimed towards food security and nutrition." Over the past generation in North America the popularity of pulses has grown at a staggering pace. Interestingly, Canada has become the second largest producer of pulses (lentils are #1).

Why eat them?

They are good for you. Lentils, one of the most popular

pulses, are rich in iron, zinc, and several B vitamins. They are fat-free, dense with dietary fibre and contain no cholesterol. Same can be said for chickpeas, dried beans like pinto, black and Romano varieties and they are inexpensive.

Why grow them?
The idea of growing your own pulses may appeal to you if you are interested in taking control over the quality of the food that you put on your table (you, the grower, have complete control over the process) and it can be fun and rewarding. Besides, this is a great opportunity to teach your kids about pulses and good food in general.

How to grow pulses.
Start now. In early April, you can sow the seeds of some pulses. Peas, while technically not a part of the pulse family, are legumes and they can be sown in the ground just as soon as the soil is frost free (so can carrots).

Be sure to provide your pea crop with support: a trellis or fence works best. They need a minimum of 6 hours of sunshine, an open, fertile, organic-rich soil. Add at least 1 cm of Bio Max composted manure to the soil before planting. Sow seeds in a row about 10 cm apart and space the rows by 30

Got a pulse?



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cm. Harvest when the seed pods have swollen as if they are filled with a puff of air. They will be ready for harvest in about 80 days. Shocking peas is fun and fresh peas from the pod are irresistibly sweet.

As we draw closer to the first frost-free date (usually around May 24) you can sow the frost-tender pulses in your garden. Early to mid May is the perfect time to sow Romano, pinto and black beans, lentils and chickpeas. Generally they will be ready for harvest in 80 to 100 days.

Chick peas, or "garbanzo beans" as they are sometimes called, are best sown before the last frost date. Start them indoors in mid April and transplant them mid to late May. They germinate in 7 to 10 days in good quality seedling mix. Plant 15 cm apart in rows that are 50 cm apart. Most chickpea varieties grow to 80 cm tall and

are quite bushy. Unlike 'peas' they do not need staking as the plants tend to support one another (like a real family!).

Grow in fertile soil and avoid using commercial fertilizers. As nitrogen-fixers they can actually add nutrients to the soil, unlike most other plants in the garden. They convert energy from the sun and nitrogen from the air into root nodules in the first half of the season. Each little nodule contains a mini-pack of nitrogen. Be sure to add 3 to 4 cm of composted manure to the soil before planting. All pulses require a minimum of 6 hours of sunshine.

After the first four weeks, water the plants when the soil becomes dry 3 cm deep.

You can acquire seeds for your own crop at Salt Spring Seeds (www.saltspringseeds.com) or Simpsons Seeds (www.simpsonseeds.com), both are reliable Canadian seed suppliers.

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History
The first pulses were discovered in the Taurus River Valley in India around 3300 BC. There is evidence that the Egyptians used them in their diet and in one Swiss village there is more evidence that they were used in the Stone Age. Pulses have, indeed, been around for a long time.

It seems odd, then, that it has taken us this long to more fully appreciate the finer points of growing and consuming pulses.

For more information I can recommend the new book *The Power of Pulses* by Dan Jasson, Hilary Melone and Alison Faithorne. Published by Douglas & McIntyre.

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